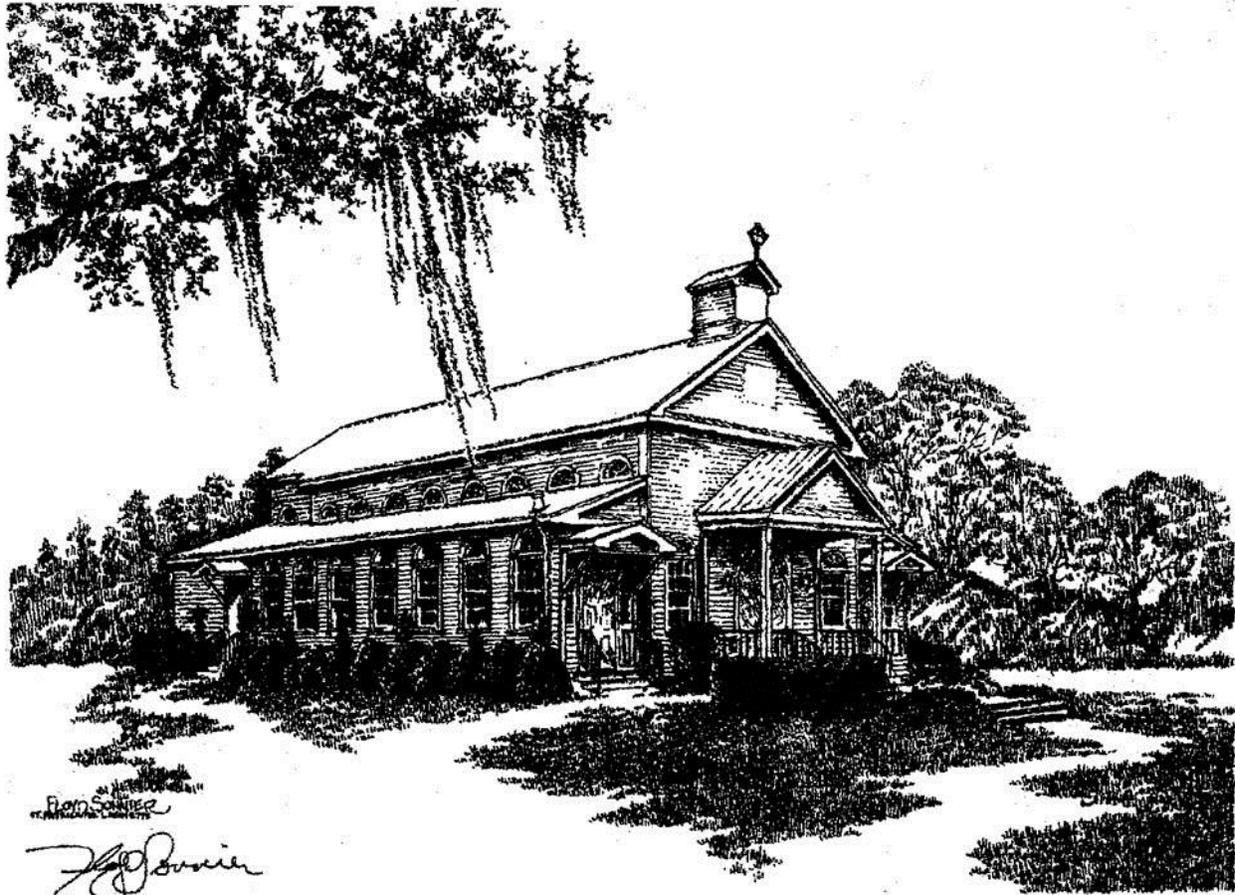


St. Patrick Catholic Church

July 15, 2012 - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



L'Église St. Patrick

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8:30 am – 3:00 pm; Friday 8:30 am – 12 noon

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday: 4:00 pm – Sunday: 8:30 & 10:00 am

Monday through Friday: 7:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 – 3:30 pm and Weekdays: 7:15 am

Baptisms

Parents are encouraged to call the Church during pregnancy to avoid delays of the sacrament

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance to allow time for preparation

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Welcome to St. Patrick Church

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 14 -- Vigil of the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM: Edna & Melba Parker;
Ruth Bonnet Landry

Sunday, July 15 -- Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM: Claire D. Sawyer
10:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Monday, July 16 -- Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

7:30 AM: Bella Hernandez; Agnes Duplechin;
Gussie Hernandez

Tuesday, July 17 -- Weekday

7:30 AM: Sick of the Parish

Wednesday, July 18 -- St Camillus de Lellis, Priest (Msgr. Charles Mallet)

7:30 AM: Dr. Tommy Comeaux & Dorinne;
Col. Clark Comeaux & Catherine (living);
Col. Kimberly Fedele (living)

Thursday, July 19 -- Weekday

7:30 AM: Suzanne Lavergne (living); Sick of the Parish

Friday, July 20 -- St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

7:30 AM: Dr. Charles Stewart



Altar Flowers

In memory of:

Latimer Family

Non-Liturgical Devotions

Daily Rosary: Monday - Friday 6:55 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesday
7:15 a.m.

Rosary for Priests: Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Thursday 7:15 a.m.

Pro-Life Rosary: First Friday of the month 7:00
a.m.

Shamrocks—Friday, July 20: Donna Guilbeau;
Patsy Robicheaux; Gerrie McGovern



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Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to you, loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with you Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

—Psalm 85:12

Response Reminder

While our pew cards have served us well, we would point out that our Gather hymnals also have most of the responses, including the Gloria and the Creed, on the inside front cover. You may find that more convenient at times.

“Fifty Years Out: Reflections on the Second Vatican Council”

St. Edmond Catholic Church invites all to attend a special presentation by Rev. Clinton Sensat on **Wednesday, August 8**, from 6:30—8:00 p.m. in the Family Center. The topic of Father Sensat’s presentation is “Fifty Years Out: Reflections on the Second Vatican Council”. For more information, please call 981-0874

Day of Reflection for Women

Women’s wisdom comes as a gift from God and arises not from the mind, but from the heart. This quiet knowing is trampled beneath the relentless rushing and noise of our culture. There is another way to be in the world if we ask the right questions: “How shall I live at this time in my life?” “What is God calling me to:?” “When Wisdom Speaks: A Day Retreat”, presented by Lyn Holley Doucet and Robin Hebert, on **Tuesday, July 31**, from 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat Center, Grand Coteau, LA. The cost will be \$25.00. For more information or to register, please call 337-662-5410

The Great Adventure Bible Study

This coming fall, Holy Cross Catholic Church will be offering three different studies from the Great Adventure Bible Study (each session lasting 24 weeks).

Beginning **August 14, on Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 a.m.**, a study on the Book of Acts.

Beginning **August 15, on Wednesdays, 9:30—11:30 a.m.** a Study on the Gospel of Matthew.

Beginning **September 5, 2012, on Wednesdays, 6:30—8:30 p.m.** a study of the Gospel of Matthew.

Beginning Tuesday, August 14, 9:30—11:30 a.m. a study on the Book of Acts.

Beginning **September 6, Thursdays 6:30—8:30 p.m.**, a study on the Great Adventure Bible Timeline.

Please call Holy Cross office at 337-984-9636 or Adult Faith Formation 337-654-9671 to register for the sessions.

2012—2013 CCD Registration

Students from St. Patrick’s who would like to attend CCD Program—all grades, First Communion and Confirmation, need to register at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 818 12th. St., Lafayette. Registration begins **July 16th until August 12, 2012**; in the Immaculate Heart of Mary School Cafeteria: Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays, 8:30 a.m.—12 noon and 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. Wednesdays: 8:30—12 noon. There will be ONE Sunday registration: Sunday, August 12, 8:30—12 noon. **The deadline to register is Sunday, August 12, 2012.** Students will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. All new students must have their baptismal record on the day of registration. For additional information please call: 235-6323.

Dawn Eden to Speak at St. Pius X Church

Dawn Eden, internationally known chastity speaker and author, will be at St. Pius X Catholic Church, on **Saturday, July 21, at 7:00 p.m.** to address those 18 and older on the topic of healing after sexual abuse. Eden uses her own story as a backdrop to introduce saints and others who suffered sexual abuse or other forms of mistreatment and abandonment. Born into a Jewish family in New York City, Dawn lost her faith as a teenage and became agnostic. When she was 31 she experienced a dramatic conversion that ultimately led her to enter the Catholic Church. She holds a master’s degree in theology. Her latest book, *My Peace I Give You: Healing Sexual Wounds with the Help of the Saints*, is a poignant reminder that “there are no wounds so deep that the Lord cannot heal them.”

Let the Games Begin!

That may be a good slogan for the Olympics, but not for a marriage! The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend shows couples how to be straightforward and honest in their communication, thus building a foundation for the kind of trust and love every marriage deserves. The next available WWME weekend is **July 27-29, 2012** at the Bishop Tracy Center in Baton Rouge. Call 800-586-5469 or 225-752-5084 or go to on-line registration at www.wwme-nogl.com or for more information go to www.wwme.org.

STEWARDSHIP OF THE PAST WEEK

Our Response to God’s Generosity to Us

Offeratory.....\$ 3,725.00

Thank You!

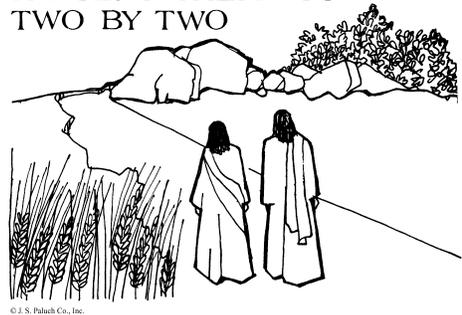
Liturgical Roles for July 2012

Date	Saturday, July 21 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, July 22 8:30 a.m.	Sunday, July 22 10:00 a.m.
Lectors	Janelle Venable	Larry Lewis	Brenda Demette
Eucharistic Ministers	Peggy Spruill Candis Thompson Rosalind Allen	Kathy Kalweit Gerrie McGovern Kay Hampton	Kenneth Broussard Madeline Simon Debra Carroll
Server	Joy Borel	Mary Kramer	Harry Demette
Ushers	Joyce Stelly Oren Spruill	Donald & Helen Vallot	Robin Roy Joyce Stelly

Readings for the Week

Monday	Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Tuesday	Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday	Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30
Friday	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday	Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday	Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

HE SENT THEM OUT
TWO BY TWO



From the Pastor's Desk

Amaziah had it good: job security, prestige, and a significant amount of influence. Amos was the outsider, the renegade, the “whistleblower”, in today’s parlance. As Reginald Fuller tells us, “Amaziah thought of religion in ‘civil’ terms. It existed to promote loyalty to the status quo – the royal house and patriotism. Bethel was the king’s sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom, a sort of national cathedral.” In other words, Amaziah was the king’s man.

Amos, called by God away from his flocks, was the upstart. He preached things like, “For three crimes of Israel, and for four, I will not revoke my word; Because they sell the just man for silver, and the poor man for a pair of sandals.” He dared to call out those who “trample upon the needy and destroy the poor of the land!” None of this was what the king wanted to hear, so he sent his lackey, Amaziah, to drive out Amos, and to silence him. Poor Amaziah thought that by silencing the messenger, he could spin the truth. Because he was the king’s man, you would never hear Amaziah speaking up on behalf of the poor and vulnerable.

Today we find ourselves in an election season. I recently pulled up our diocesan policy on Political Activity which is very clear in demanding our church activity remain non-partisan. We have a responsibility to preach the Gospel, and to announce positions on issues and values that go to the heart of our political system. But we never endorse or condemn candidates. We do not allow partisan flyers or signs on church property. We do not distribute voter guides or sample ballots. We strive to do nothing that would constitute endorsement of a candidate or alignment with a particular party.

One good reason for avoiding those activities is that they are illegal for non-profit organizations. To act as a partisan organization would mean losing our tax-exempt status. And that is a good reason.

But it’s not the most important reason for avoiding partisan activities or aligning the church with a particular political party. Doing so runs the risk of becoming Amaziah, rather than Amos. And as a church we need to be Amos. We need to be able to speak out for justice for all, particularly the poor and the voiceless. As soon as we identify with one group or another, we cease being a church and turn ourselves into a political action committee. I’m certain that Amaziah was well-intentioned in many ways, even as he was seduced into a position of power on the king’s behalf. He may have even personally cared about the poor who were being trampled. But his position has been paid for with his silence about anything that might displease the king.

In recent years, we often see the various states characterized as “red” states or “blue” states. If the Church is to imitate Amos rather than Amaziah, we must be purple.

Fr. Keith